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SUBJ: PROJECTED EQUIPMENT PURCHASES FOR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

1. SOME DETAILS HAVE BECOME AVAILABLE ON THE INTENDED EQUIPMENT PURCHASES OF THE DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS FOR THE CALENDAR YEARS 1976/77. THESE PURCHASES WILL BE IN ADDITION TO THOSE TO BE MADE BY THE MAIQUETIA AIRPORT PROJECT OFFICE AND BY THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS IN ITS AIRPORT EXPANSION PROGRAM.

2. THE DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS INTENDS TO BUY FIVE INSTRUMENT LANDING SYSTEMS (ILS) AT A PROJECTED COST OF BS. 14.5 MILLION; NON-DIRECTIONAL BEACONS (NDB) FOR BS. 5.6 MILLION, OMNI-DIRECTIONAL RANGES WITH DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT (VOR/DME) FOR BS. 10 MILLION; ONE TERMINAL RADAR FOR BS. 7.5 MILLION; AND THREE SURVEILLANCE RADARS FOR BS. 37.1 MILLION. IN ADDITION, THE DIRECTORATE INTENDS TO PURCHASE TWO CHECKOUT AIRCRAFT WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE CONSOLES AT BS. 9.6 MILLION EACH. (THAT PRICE APPEARS TO BE TOO HIGH.) FURTHERMORE, BS. 1.5 MILLION PER YEAR HAS BEEN PROJECTED FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

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3. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE ABOVE PURCHASE PLANS HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED FINAL APPROVAL AND PROBABLY WILL BE SUBJECT TO MODIFICATIONS.

4. THE AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM OF THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSISTS MAINLY OF RUNWAY IMPROVEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS TO MAKE MORE AIRPORTS SUITABLE FOR JET TRAFFIC. A TOTAL OF TEN AIRPORTS ARE TO RECEIVE LIGHTING FACILITIES TO OPEN THEM UP FOR NIGHT TRAFFIC. THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO SPEND A TOTAL OF BS. 200 MILLION ON THIS PROGRAM.  
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